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### WHERE IS THE BULLETIN?

The Editor has received many written and verbal questions regarding the absence of the Bulletin during the month of April. What became of last month's issue? Why did it not appear? Anything wrong with the Editor or Publicity Committee? These queries have been received by the score. This is a healthy sign of growing interest and popularity evinced toward the Bulletin. It takes a long time to create a need or establish habit in any phase of life.

After but two issues of our Synagogue Journal its readers have learned to expect it regularly and seem to look forward to its appearance. It has already been *missed*. And this miss proves to be a great "Hit" of a compliment. The April omission happens to be a means of finding out that there is demand for a congregational Newspaper, and that there are many generous families who stand ready to give it enthusiastic support.

And now a word of explanation to our readers. The Congregational activities during April and the celebration of Passover, took place at a period in the month too late for advance information and too early for reminiscences. The Bulletin would have reached you without a schedule of what has gone or what is coming. Pressed by this peculiar condition it has been deemed more useful to wait with the issue until May and round out a final number containing all the items of interest of the past two months and cul-

minating with the closing activities of the season.

The Editorial Board will be glad to receive your helpful suggestions and criticism and, if found economically feasible, shall be embodied in the September issue.

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### THE FESTIVAL OF SHABUOTH.

The feast of Pentecost or Shabuoth will be celebrated Thursday evening, May 24th at 6 and Friday morning, at 9:30, Friday evening at 6 and Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock. The Confirmation service will be held Friday morning. There will be nine confirmants on the Altar to receive the consecrational blessing of our faith. The order of service which will be given in full on another page, has been arranged with a view of appealing to young and old of every degree of intelligence and spirituality. Our Confirmation service has become a standard of grace and solemnity and enjoys great popularity. From the boundaries of the city and beyond scores of people come to witness this beautiful ceremony. An invitation is extended to every family that receives the Bulletin to attend the confirmation service on the first day and the memorial service on the second day of Shabuoth. Our members and seatholders must be in their own seats on Friday morning at 10:15 A. M., after that hour all unoccupied seats will be given to visitors. Judging from the requests for seats there will be an early and immense attendance.

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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees at its meeting of May 17th recommended to the Publicity Committee to hold two big interorganizational events in the Fall and Winter seasons was unanimously approved and adopted. The first will be given under the auspices of Sisterhood in the form of a high class Entertainment and Ball sometime in October or November. The second will be a Temple Theatre Party at one of the seasonal theatrical productions about the middle of February. All the allied branches will combine in a mighty concentration of effort and resource to insure the desired success of both undertakings.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held Sunday, June 10th, at 10 o'clock A. M. It is to be hoped that President Friedman will have regained his health sufficiently to

attend the meeting, and it would be an act of splendid fellowship if all the members could be present for demonstration of "Welcome Home." He has surely more than earned it.

## CONGREGATIONAL

The quarterly meeting of the Congregation will be held Tuesday Evening, June 12th, at 8:00 o'clock in the Social Hall of the Synagogue. It is high time that the rank and file of this Religious Association take a little personal interest by attending a meeting and give a little encouragement to the administration and the Rabbi. To give up two hours every four months for the cause of our faith is not such a heavy sacrifice. Come, friends, your presence and counsel are needed for the welfare and progress of the Temple. Its success is your glory, its failure is your shame. Let us start afresh and become stronger and bigger.



## THE SISTERHOOD

On Tuesday, May 8th, Sister's Day was celebrated in the form of a luncheon party in the Vestry rooms. Every one brought her own lunch and enjoyed it better than at home. An entertainment was made up of home talent and a couple of prima donnas made their debut before a large and appreciative audience. The whole proceeded the nature of a get-to-bon voyage, a safe return to all the sisters go. road.

On Sunday evening, May 20th, the sisters Dina and Mollie Rosenbusch will be the hostesses of the Sisterhood's Bridge Whist Party. Being the chief affair of the season it is urged every member should make a special effort to insure a large attendance for good financial results.

The final session of the season will be an open meeting to be held Tuesday evening, June 5th, at 8:00 o'clock. Husbands and friends are especially invited. There will be many interesting features invigorated with delicious refreshments. Everybody is welcome.

## THE CLOSING EXERCISES

Our Religious School will hold the Closing Exercises Sunday, June 10th, at 2:15 P. M. You and your family and friends are invited to be present. There will be good singing, good acting, good dancing and the award of prizes for scholarship all on one program. The alumni group will give a playlet entitled "Advertising For a Husband." A festival pageant with incidental dances will be given by other groups. Aside from the fact that you owe the children the encouragement and incentive of your presence, you will really witness a good show and spend a delightful afternoon. Please do come on time to avoid delay and disturbance.

## THE MENS' CLUB

The general meeting of the Mens' Club was held Monday evening, May 14th. The attendance was large and the spirit lively. The following officers

were elected for the ensuing year:

Dr. Jack Marquith, President; A. Julius Singer, Vice-President; Mr. Joseph Stein, Treasurer; Mr. William Van Cleef, Rec. Secretary; Mr. Jerry J. Oppenheimer, Fin. Secretary.

Monday evening, May 28th, will be an open meeting for members, their families and friends. A card party, entertainment and refreshments will be free to all. The hospitality of the Club is yours for the coming.

## THE MARVELOUS CONCERT.

This is the right name for the Musicale that took place in the Synagogue Auditorium on Sunday evening, April 1st. The one thousand people that came to listen to good music remained to demonstrate an approval and an enthusiasm never before witnessed on any improvised concert stage. Deafening roars of applause were accorded to four mighty artists upon their superb performances. The audience seemed to realize the transport of a rare occurrence, lifted into a charmed sphere by the magic art of great masters. And why should they not have felt the privilege, the joy, the inspiration of an enchanted evening that comes perhaps once in a life time? The event was unique even in this city of miracles. Who has ever seen or heard four stars of the first magnitude joining and performing together on one program. There are precious few individuals or societies who can marshall the services of Madame Elizabeth Rethberg, Mr. Josef Lehvinne, Mr. Paul Kochansky and Mr. George Meader for one evening's enjoyment. Through the kindness and influence of Mr. Ben. Friedman and Mr. Jacob Friedman, Jr these wizards of music came to us to our Synagogue and in one of their extatic moods, gave us a Concert never to be forgotten. Those who out of neglect or indifference failed to attend have missed one of the greatest thrills of their life. It is to be hoped that in the future they will take the Temple's proffer and promise more earnestly for their own cultural enrichment and well-being.

## THE COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN.

The New York State Conference of the National Council of Jewish Women held its Opening meeting in the Auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue Sunday evening, April 22nd. It was in the nature of a foregathering for spiritual re-union in the house of God. The program was expressive of the significance of the occasion and evoked the Council spirit of broad fellowship and satisfaction. Rabbi Gabriel Schulman welcomed the assemblage in behalf of the Congregation and read a paper designed for a council message on "The Jewish Woman and her opportunity for Service." A particular feature that stressed to the highest degree the sincerity and loyalty and unity of the Councilites was the magnificent attendance of more than 600 people who came from considerable distances in the season's worst weather to attest their zeal and devotion to a great cause and obligation. It was a wonderful sight that touched the heart. Good luck and more power to them.

## THE CHILDRENS' AND ADULTS' SEDER.

Some of the finest and most enjoyable evenings of the year spent in the Community Hall of our Synagogue are the first and second Seders given for Children and Adults respectively under the auspices of the Congregation. The Sisterhood deserves and receives full praise and commendation for playing generous hostess to the pupils of the Religious School, paying for a bountiful traditional meal for 125 youngsters. It is a banquet with all necessary embellishments and graces. The responses, singing, decorum and conduct are of the best. How many parents do actually realize what is being done for their children? If they

did, the mothers would join the Sisterhood, and the fathers affiliate with the Congregation to aid and strengthen the work of this Institution.

The second evening of Passover the Adults Seder is held with all the features that make for an inspiring home service, good feasting, cultural entertainment and pleasant fellowship. It has become an honorable and beautiful tradition in the life of our organization. Why more of our members don't take advantage of this communal opportunity for a cheering, rousing, high-spirited good time is probably best answered by the fact that a great many people don't know a good thing when they see it.

## TEMPLE FUNCTIONS

The Bar Mizvoh of the following boys will be celebrated in our Temple.

Joseph Backofen, May 26th  
Bernard Vogel, June 2nd  
Ralph Brendler, June 9th  
William Holzer, June 9th  
Richard Speier, June 23rd

We offer their parents our sincere Congratulations.

## WEDDINGS

The wedding of Anna Ballagi and Samuel Balter will take place June 3d. The wedding of Melville Arnold Lobel and Rose Hirschberg will take place June 17th. The wedding of Henrietta Rosenberg and Robert Singer will take place June 24th.

We extend to these bridal couples and their relatives, our best wishes and warm felicitations.

## CONGRATULATIONS.

We tender our heartiest congratulations; to Hon. Maurice & Mrs. Bloch, upon the arrival of baby Robert Wagner Bloch.

To Mr. & Mrs. Edward Pollack upon the arrival of baby Melville Pollack.

To Mr. & Mrs. A. Bricken, upon the forthcoming marriage of their daughter to our neighbor, Dr. Stoloff. May good luck attend them all.